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SUBJECT: US GEOLOGICAL SURVEY INVITATION TO USSR  
SCIENTISTS TO VISIT US

REF: MOSCOW 13317

1. USGS WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY FORWARDING FOLLOWING  
MESSAGE:

QUOTE:

DR. ALEKSANDR V. SIDORENKO

VICE PRESIDENT

USSR ACADEMY OF SCIENCES

MSOCOW, USSR

DEAR DR. SIDORENKO:

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THE US GEOLOGICAL SURVEY HAS EXTENDED AN OFFICIAL INVITATION TO MR. G. N. BATURIN AND MRS. O. V. SHISHKINA OF YOUR INSTITUTE OF OCEANOLOGY (WHICH WAS ACCEPTED) TO VISIT THE US FOR APPROXIMATELY THREE WEEKS BEGINNING IN SEPTEMBER 1976. WE HAVE ALREADY MADE EXTENSIVE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THEM TO VISIT LAMONT-DOHERTY OBSERVATORY; WOODS HOLE OCEANOGRAPHIC INSTITUTION; UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA,

INSTITUTE OF MARINE SCIENCES; SCRIPPS INSTITUTION OF OCEANOGRAPHY; UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON, DEPARTMENT OF OCEANOGRAPHY; AND THE US GEOLOGICAL SURVEY.

THE US GEOLOGICAL SURVEY WILL PAY THEIR TRANSPORTATION AND TRAVEL EXPENSES WHILE THEY ARE IN THE US.

WE WERE DEEPLY CONCERNED TO RECEIVE THE NEWS THAT THEIR PERMISSION TO TRAVEL TO THE US HAS BEEN WITHDRAWN AT THIS LATE HOUR. WE WOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE YOUR ASSISTANCE IN HAVING THEIR PERMISSION REINSTATED IN ORDER THAT OPEN EXCHANGE BETWEEN OUR SCIENTIFIC COMMUNITIES MAY CONTINUE.

SINCERELY YOURS,  
J.R. BALSLEY  
ACTING DIRECTOR  
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2. FYI. INFORMATION REGARDING SOVIET WITHDRAWAL OF EXIT PERMISSION WAS RELAYED TELEGRAPHICALLY TO USGS HOST BY ONE OF SUBJECTS. DEPT WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING ANY FURTHER INFORMATION EMBASSY CAN GLEAN ON THIS CASE IN VIEW OF USGS CONCERN.

3. DEPARTMENT RECEIVED 8/25 REFTTEL REQUESTING VISAS FOR BATURI' AND SHISHKINA AND WILL AUTHORIZE ASAP. END FYI.

4. ORIGINAL LETTER BEING POUCHED TO SCIENCE SECTION, REGISTRY NUMBER 2782032. KISSINGER

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